

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION _

World Wish Day

WHEREAS, the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Massachusetts and Rhode Island grants wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions between the ages of 2 ½ and 18 to enrich the human experience with hope, strength, and joy; and

WHEREAS, to honor the anniversary of the "first wish," the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Rhode Island requests our state to celebrate World Wish Day; and

WHEREAS, that "first wish" paved the way to granting 4,500 wishes in Massachusetts, 1,000 wishes in Rhode Island, and 250,000 wishes worldwide to date; and

WHEREAS, the Make-A-Wish Foundation is the largest wish granting organization in the world; and

WHEREAS, many local Rhode Island businesses are supporting the Foundation throughout the month of April; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of the State of Rhode Island, do hereby proclaim April 29, 2011 as World Wish Day in Rhode Island and urge all citizens to support the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Rhode Island by raising funds to help children's wishes come true.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, this $\frac{\lambda^{NP}}{2}$ day of May, 2011

Lincoln D. Chafee
Governor

A. Ralph Mollis Secretary of State